

The Duke City Soccer League's Disciplinary Procedure, Prohibited Conduct, and Sanctions Policy

1. Short Title

The Duke City Soccer League (“DCSL”) Disciplinary Procedure, Prohibited Conduct, and Sanctions Policy may be cited as the “DCSL Disciplinary Policy.”

2. Effective Date

The DCSL Disciplinary Policy shall apply to all complaints filed with the Coach Administrator after the DCSL ratifies these rules. The DCSL Disciplinary Policy does not apply to any complaints pending before the Coach Administrator or DCSL.

3. Jurisdiction and Hearing Procedures

The Coach Administrator and Appeals Committee have jurisdiction over the following matters:

- A. Any allegation of a metro schedule club official, coach, player, or spectator having engaged in any conduct prohibited by these rules.
- B. Any alleged violation of the DCSL Handbook.
- C. Any protest involving two or more clubs playing in the metro schedule.
- D. Any allegation of recruiting, poaching, or interference with the DCSL tryout period.
- E. Any allegation of assault/battery on a referee by a metro club official, coach, spectator, or player.
- F. Any allegation of assault/battery on or by a metro schedule coach.
- G. Any allegation of assault/battery on or by a metro schedule spectator.
- H. Any allegation of assault/battery on or by a metro schedule player.
- I. Any other matter assigned to the Coach Administrator and Appeals Committee by the DCSL Board of Directors.

4. Definitions

As used by the DCSL Disciplinary Policy:

- A. Assault means:
 - (1) an attempt to commit a battery upon the person of another; or
 - (2) any unlawful act, threat or menacing conduct which causes another person to reasonably believe that he is in danger of receiving an immediate battery.
- B. Battery means the unlawful, intentional touching or application of force to the person of another, when done in a rude, insolent or angry manner.
- C. Crimes against public peace means the commission of the crimes of disorderly conduct, public affray, and interference with an athletic event.
- D. Disorderly conduct means:
 - (1) engaging in violent, abusive, indecent, profane, boisterous, unreasonably loud or otherwise disorderly conduct which tends to disturb the peace; or
 - (2) maliciously disturbing, threatening or, in an insolent manner, intentionally touching any house occupied by any person.
- E. Great bodily harm means:
 - (1) an injury to a person which creates a high probability of death; or
 - (2) results in serious disfigurement; or
 - (3) results in loss of any member or organ of the body; or
 - (4) results in permanent or prolonged impairment of the use of any member or organ of the body.
- F. Interference with an athletic event means intentionally throwing any object on or across the field of play of an athletic event with the intent to interfere with the normal conduct of that event while the contestants of that event are on that field.
- G. Preponderance of the evidence means that a complaining party has the burden of proving every essential element of the alleged prohibited conduct by the greater weight of the evidence. A defendant relying upon a defense has the burden of proving every essential element of the defense by the greater weight of the evidence.

- (1) To prove by the greater weight of the evidence means to establish that something is more likely true than not true.
- (2) As used by this policy, the complaining party has the burden of proving that the alleged prohibited conduct is more probably true than not true. Evenly balanced evidence is not sufficient.

5. Complaint Initiation Procedure

- A. Only a DCSL board member, DCSL director of games, metro schedule club director of coaching, or metro schedule club board member can initiate a complaint under the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.
- B. If a complaint is brought by someone other than a DCSL board member, DCSL director of games, metro schedule club director of coaching, or metro schedule club board member, the Coach Administrator will only hear a complaint after the complaining party has presented the claim to his or her club, and the club, through its director of coaching or board member, decides to pursue the claim and file a complaint with the Coach Administrator.
- C. Before the Coach Administrator will hear a complaint brought under the DCSL Policy, the complaining party must make a good faith effort to resolve the alleged violation of the DCSL Policy with the player's, coach's, and/or spectator's club.
 - (1) If the complaining party fails to make a good faith effort to resolve the alleged violation of the DCSL Policy with the player's, coach's, and/or spectator's club, the Coach Administrator will not set a hearing on the merits of the complaining party's claim.
 - (2) If the complaining party makes a good faith effort to resolve the alleged violation of the DCSL Policy with the player's, coach's, and/or spectator's club but no agreement is reached between the parties, the Coach Administrator will set a hearing on the merits of the complaining party's claim.
- D. Before the Coach Administrator will hear a complaint brought under the DCSL Policy, the complaining party must pay a \$100.00 filing fee at the time of the filing of the complaint. If the complaining party fails to pay the \$100.00 filing fee at the time of the filing of the complaint, the Coach Administrator will not set a hearing on the merits of the complaining party's claim. For good cause shown, the Coach Administrator may waive the \$100.00 filing fee.

6. Hearing Procedures

Upon receipt by the DCSL office or Coach Administrator of a complaint, the following procedure shall be followed:

- A. The complaint shall be sent to the Coach Administrator.
- B. The Coach Administrator shall review the complaint and determine whether it appears to adequately state an allegation of actionable misconduct on the part of a person or entity over whom DCSL has jurisdiction.
- C. If the Coach Administrator finds the allegations inadequate, a written statement informing the complaining party of the decision and dismissing the Complaint shall be prepared and sent to the complaining party by the DCSL office, along with a statement that the decision not to proceed may be appealed to the DCSL Appeals Committee for review of the determination.
- D. If the Coach Administrator finds the allegations adequate to demonstrate, if verified, an actionable violation of any DCSL Disciplinary Policy, then a hearing will be scheduled to verify the allegations and make recommendations. The DCSL office shall issue a notice to the defendant party stating that a complaint has been received. The notice shall indicate:
 - (1) The alleged facts of the violation;
 - (2) The rule or other regulation allegedly violated;
 - (3) The potential sanctions if such violation is found at the hearing;
 - (4) A statement that a hearing will be set before the Coach Administrator;
 - (5) The defendant and the complaining party will be notified of the date, time, and place of the hearing, by email (if available), or by telephone; and
 - (6) The hearing procedures, rights, duties, responsibilities and requirements of the hearing process.
- E. The notification to a defendant party of the hearing procedures of the hearing process shall specify at a minimum the following information:
 - (1) The fact that the defendant is entitled to a hearing before a neutral and unbiased Coach Administrator or DCSL designee;

- (2) Notification that the defendant shall be advised at least 5 days before the scheduled hearing date of the identity of the Coach Administrator;
- (3) Notification that any claim of bias against the Coach Administrator must be received in the DCSL office at least three (3) days prior to the schedule date and time of the hearing or any such claim is waived;
- (4) Whether the claim of bias is valid will be determined by the DCSL President. If the claim is valid, the President shall appoint a new DCSL representative to serve in the same capacity as the Coach Administrator. Assigning a DCSL representative to replace the Coach Administrator may cause the postponement of the scheduled hearing;
- (5) Notification that the defendant is entitled to assistance at the hearing, including the assistance of legal counsel if desired;
- (6) A statement that any hearing shall be scheduled at least 10 days after notice of the hearing has been provided to the defendant and a statement that a request for the hearing to be rescheduled for any reasonable conflict may be made if requested no later than 5 days before the scheduled hearing date. A request to reschedule the hearing made less than 5 days before the hearing date will be granted only upon a showing of extraordinary circumstances;
- (7) Notification that at the hearing the defendant may call witnesses to offer relevant evidence on his/her behalf, may submit sworn written statements on his/her behalf, and may submit other written documentation;
- (8) Notification that the name and a brief summary of each witness' expected testimony must be provided in writing at least 48 hours in advance of the hearing to the DCSL office and the opposing party. Any such witness testimony offered at the hearing and whose information has not been provided in compliance with this section may be disallowed by the Coach Administrator at his or her discretion;
- (9) Notification that all parties have the right to cross-examine any witness offering evidence on behalf of the opposing party;
- (10) Notification that the Coach Administrator may, upon the stated objection of the opposing party, refuse to admit any evidence, including sworn statements or written documentation for which there is no accompanying witness testimony, on the grounds that the opposing party has been denied an

opportunity to confront and cross-examine the witnesses purporting to create such evidence;

- (11) Notification that any sworn statements or other written materials that either party wishes to be considered by the Coach Administrator must be provided to the opposing party at least 48 hours prior to the hearing date and time;
- (12) Notification that any written material found to be objectionable by the opposing party must be objected to in writing and such written statement of objections must be provided to all parties and the Coach Administrator prior to the taking of evidence at the hearing. The Coach Administrator shall not consider any material that has been properly objected to that does not allow the opposing party to confront and cross-examine such evidence unless the proffered evidence is reliable and is unavailable in any other form. For a witness to be excused from appearance, the Coach Administrator must be provided documentation that the presence of the witness was requested by the party seeking to use the statement and a statement from the witness that they were requested to attend the hearing and that they refuse to do so. If the Coach Administrator allows the introduction of any such material—previously objected to by the opposing party—then the proponent of such evidence, at the request of the opposing party, must answer any and all reasonable questions of the opposing party as to the circumstances surrounding the taking of the statement and the relationship of the person making the statement to the party offering the statement. All such information so elicited may be considered by the Coach Administrator in determining what weight, if any, should be given to the substance and credibility of the proffered evidence;
- (13) If requested at least 48 hours in advance by any party, notification that the proceedings shall be recorded by DCSL. Upon request, DCSL will make the recording available to any party;
- (14) Notification that any decision of the Coach Administrator shall be made in writing and rendered within 15 days of the hearing, with a copy provided to all parties and with instructions as to any appeal rights that a party may have if the decision is adverse to the party; and
- (15) The Coach Administrator's imposition of a sanction shall be based on the Incidents and Minimum Sanctions set forth in this policy. The DCSL reserves the right to increase the severity of punishments, including longer suspensions.

- F. At any hearing conducted by the Coach Administrator, the following minimum procedural rules shall be followed, as well as any rules and procedures of the DCSL that may be published from time to time:
- (1) When the case is called, the Coach Administrator shall first determine the admissibility of any witnesses and evidence that have been previously objected to by any party;
 - (2) The Coach Administrator shall determine that the hearing is prepared to be recorded in its entirety if either party has requested it;
 - (3) The Coach Administrator or an agent of the Coach Administrator shall inform the parties of the hearing procedures. Each party shall have 45 minutes to present their evidence. Additionally, the complaining party shall have 10 minutes allotted for rebuttal to the defendant's evidence, and 5 minutes of surrebuttal to the defendant's surrebuttal. The defendant shall have 15 minutes of surrebuttal to the complaining party's rebuttal. Furthermore, each party shall have 15 minutes of total argument time to the Coach Administrator. The complaining party shall open and close the argument and may allot his time as he wishes, including waiving his initial and closing argument. After the conclusion of all evidence and argument, the Coach Administrator shall declare the hearing concluded, dismiss all parties, and retire to deliberate. A decision shall be issued in writing to all parties within 15 days of the hearing;
 - (4) The complaining party bears the burden of proof and must convince the Coach Administrator or his or her designee by a preponderance of the evidence in order to prevail;
 - (a) A criminal conviction by a court is not necessary to prove a violation of these rules. With sufficient evidence, a complaining party may prove a violation of these rules without evidence that the opposing party was arrested, incarcerated, or charged with a crime.
 - (b) A criminal conviction of the opposing party is *prima facie* evidence that a violation of these rules occurred. When confronted with a criminal conviction, an opposing party is entitled to present evidence which rebuts the validity of the conviction.
 - (5) At the hearing, the Coach Administrator may be advised as to procedural questions by legal counsel. The Coach Administrator shall determine all facts of the case, and their determination of any such facts—if supported by

competent evidence in the record—shall be binding upon any appellate reviewing body.

- G. Effective date of sanction means the date on which the Court Administrator imposes a sanction for the violation of the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.

7. Appeals Procedure

- A. For all appeals from any Coach Administrator’s decision, these procedures shall be followed:
- (1) Within 10 days of the receipt of the written decision of the Coach Administrator, the DCSL office must receive in writing an initial notice of appeal and an appeal fee in cash or certified funds in the amount of \$100. Such appeal fee shall not be returned;
 - (2) Upon receipt of the initial notice of appeal and fee, the DCSL office shall notify the Coach Administrator of the appeal;
 - (3) The DCSL board members, minus the Coaching Administrator, shall comprise an Appeals Committee and hear the appeal. Such board members shall have not taken any part in the determination of the matters underlying the appeal;
 - (4) The DCSL office shall prepare a record of the hearing in the matter and provide a copy to all parties to the appealed action;
 - (5) At the time the DCSL office sends a copy of the record to all parties it shall send to the appellant a notice that within 15 days of the mailing of the appeal record, the appellant must designate in writing each error claimed to have been made in the hearing and must further provide any argument in support of any claimed error that the Appellant wishes the Appeals Committee to consider. The appellant must also serve a complete copy of this designation of error and argument upon the opposing party;
 - (6) The opposing party shall have an additional 10 days to provide a response to the appellant’s assigned errors and argument and the opposing party shall serve its response on the appellant and the DCSL office;
 - (7) When all responses have been received, the DCSL office shall provide a copy of the record and all parties’ responses to each member of the Appeals Committee;

- (8) The Chairperson of the Appeals Committee, who shall be designated by the President, shall set a date for the Appeals Committee to meet either in person or by telephone to discuss and decide the appeal. The meeting shall not be held less than 5 days after receipt by all members of the Appeal Committee of the material of the appeal unless all members of the Appeals Committee agree to an earlier meeting; and
 - (9) At the Appeals Committee meeting, a decision regarding the appeal shall be made by majority vote. A written decision of the Appeals Committee shall be rendered within 15 days of the meeting by the Chairperson of the Appeals Committee. The Appeals Committee may affirm the decision, may reverse the decision, may reverse and remand for a new hearing on the decision, or may affirm the decision but remand the case for reconsideration of the penalty imposed.
- B. The decision of the Coach Administrator shall be in effect and binding, including the imposition of any penalties, during the pendency of an appeal, unless the Appeals Committee specifically orders the decision stayed pending review. The Appeals Committee shall only order the decision stayed if after a preliminary review the Appeals Committee finds by clear and convincing evidence that the appellant will suffer irreparable harm without a stay, and the appellant is likely to prevail upon the merits of the appeal.
 - C. For all appeals from the decision of the DCSL Appeals Committee, the appellant shall follow the procedures set forth in Section 3.14.03 of the New Mexico Youth Soccer Association's General Procedures and Rules.
 - D. The decision of the DCSL Appeals Committee shall be in effect and binding, including the imposition of any penalties, during the pendency of an appeal, unless the Appeals Committee specifically orders the decision stayed pending review.
- 8. Publication of Suspensions Imposed by the Coach Administrator and/or DCSL Appeals Committee.**
- A. After a decision is made in which a player, coach, club official, or spectator is suspended, DCSL shall place on its website the name of the individual suspended, the club affiliation of the individual suspended, and the date on which the suspension will terminate.

- B. DCSL shall not identify any player, coach, club official, or spectator who is suspended under the DCSL Disciplinary Policy who is under the age of eighteen (18) years.

9. Recruiting, Poaching, and Interfering with the DCSL Tryout Period

- A. Recruiting is defined as any effort (verbal and/or written) by any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player to induce a New Mexico Youth Soccer Association registered player to transfer from his/her current team to a new team.
 - (1) Sanctionable recruiting exists even if the efforts to induce the player fail to cause the targeted player to leave his or her team.
 - (2) Prior to the DCSL tryout period, recruiting of players by any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player is prohibited.
- B. Poaching is defined as any effort (as further defined in paragraph III, B, (1)-(7)) by any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player to induce a New Mexico Youth Soccer Association registered player to transfer from his/her current team to a new team. The definition of poaching includes, but shall not be limited by the following:
 - (1) An employment arrangement for a prospective player's relatives;
 - (2) Gift of clothing or equipment;
 - (3) Cash or like items;
 - (4) Any tangible items including merchandise;
 - (5) Free or reduced-cost services; and
 - (6) Use of a club's athletic equipment.
 - (7) Player participation in any type of unauthorized practice or tryout with a team other than the team with which the player is currently registered.
 - (a) Unauthorized practices are those practices which take place prior to the DCSL try-out period;

- (b) Unauthorized practices include practice in which the player's coach has not approved the player's participation in the other team's practice;
 - (c) Guest players must have the verbal or written authorization from their current team's coach to participate in practices, scrimmages, or games with another team;
 - (d) This restriction will not apply for a player who freely chooses to try out for another team during the tryout period announced by DCSL.
- (8) Sanctionable poaching exists even if the efforts to induce the player fail to cause the targeted player to leave his or her team.
- (9) Prior to the DCSL tryout period, poaching by any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player is prohibited.
- C. During the DCSL tryout period, neither recruiting nor poaching is sanctionable conduct.
- (1) During the DCSL tryout period, any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player may engage in recruiting (verbal or written).
 - (2) During the DCSL tryout period, any metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player may offer those inducements which are defined as poaching by paragraph III, B, (1)-(7).
- D. No metro schedule club official, coach, parent and/or player may interfere with a player's right to participate in the DCSL tryout period.
- (1) No club official, coach, parent and/or player shall prevent a registered player from attending a tryout with another team during the DCSL tryout period.
 - (2) No club official, coach or parent may hold a team practice, scrimmage, or game past 3:00 p.m., which prohibits a player from attending their age group tryouts.
- 10. Metro Schedule Coach's Duty to Self-Report to DCSL Violations of Section XI, Paragraphs H and I of the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.**

- A. A metro schedule coach must notify the President of DCSL or the Coach Administrator of any and all allegations that the coach engaged in conduct prohibited by Section XI, Paragraphs H and I of the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.
- (1) A metro schedule coach must notify the President of DCSL or the Coach Administrator within ten (10) days of any and all allegations that the coach engaged in conduct prohibited by Section XI, Paragraphs H and I of the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.
 - (2) A metro schedule coach must provide the President of DCSL or the Coach Administrator with written notice, explaining all material facts regarding the prohibited conduct in which the coach allegedly engaged.
 - (3) A metro schedule coach must provide the President of DCSL or the Coach Administrator with written notice by either hand-delivery to the DCSL offices, via U.S. mail, or e-mail.
- B. If a metro schedule coach fails to notify the President of DCSL or the Coach Administrator within 10 days of having allegedly engaged in the conduct prohibited by Section XI, Paragraphs H and I of the DCSL Disciplinary Policy, DCSL may immediately suspend the coach until further notice without holding a hearing provided by the DCSL Disciplinary Policy.

11. Prohibited Misconduct and Minimum Sanctions

A. Recruiting, Poaching, and Interference with the DCSL Tryout Period

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Recruiting violations.	3 months from the time of the incident
(2) Poaching.	6 months from the time of the incident
(3) Interference with the DCSL tryout period.	6 months from the time of the incident

B. Player Misconduct During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against other players, coaches, spectators, referees, or any league official.	1 game
(2) Pushing or shoving any coach or team official.	1 game
(3) Violent conduct (committed either on or off the field against an opposing player while the ball is dead or not in the area of play for the ball, or on the field while the ball is in play but against a teammate, a match official or person other than a player of record on the opposing team) or serious foul play (intentionally striking or kicking another player while the ball is in play and while the players are challenging for the ball) and not in view of the referee.	Up to 3 games
(4) Fighting other players, coaches or spectators before, during, or after a DCSL sanctioned event and on complex or park grounds.	Up to 5 games

C. Player Misconduct Involving Referees During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referees.	2 games
(2) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	4 games
(3) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property.	6 months from the time of the incident
(4) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property and a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 year from the time of the incident
(5) Referee battery	1 year from the time of the incident
(6) Referee battery committed on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	3 years from the time of the incident

(7) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted.	5 years from the time of the incident
(8) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	Lifetime suspension

D. Coach Misconduct During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Using profanity, either by word or sign, against other players, coaches, spectators, or any league official.	1 game
(2) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against other players, coaches, spectators, or any league official.	2 games
(3) Pushing or shoving any coach or team official.	5 games
(4) Fighting other coaches or spectators before, during, or after games.	1 year from the time of the incident
(5) Conduct which constitutes a crime against public peace, including disorderly conduct and interference with an athletic event.	Up to 1 year from the time of the incident

E. Coach Misconduct Involving Referees During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Using profanity, either by word or sign, against referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 game
(2) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referees.	1 game
(3) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 game
(4) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property.	2 games

(5) Conduct which constitutes a crime against public peace, including disorderly conduct and interference with an athletic event.	1 year from the time of the incident
(6) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property and a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 year and 6 months from the time of the incident
(7) Referee battery	3 years from the time of the incident
(8) Referee battery committed by an adult on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	5 years from the time of the incident
(9) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted.	10 years from the time of the incident
(10) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted and committed by an adult on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	Lifetime suspension

F. Spectator Misconduct During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against other players, coaches, spectators, or any league official.	6 months from the time of the incident
(2) Pushing or shoving any coach or team official.	6 months from the time of the incident
(3) Fighting coaches or other spectators before, during, or after games involving physical conduct.	1 year suspension from the time of the incident
(4) Conduct which constitutes a crime against public peace, including disorderly conduct and interference with an athletic event.	1 year suspension from the time of the incident

G. Spectator Misconduct Involving Referees During Metro Schedule Games and DCSL Sanctioned Events

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Using profanity, either by word or sign, against referees.	3 months from the time of the incident
(2) Using profanity, either by word or sign, against referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	6 months from the time of the incident
(4) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referees.	6 months from the time of the incident
(5) Making threatening gestures which constitute assault against referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 year from the time of the incident
(6) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property.	9 months from the time of the incident
(7) Referee assault involving minor or slight touching of the referee or the referee's uniform or personal property and a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	1 year and 6 months from the time of the incident
(8) Referee battery	3 years from the time of the incident
(9) Referee battery committed by an adult on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	5 years from the time of the incident
(10) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted.	10 years from the time of the incident
(11) Referee battery in which great bodily harm is inflicted and committed by an adult on a referee who is 17 years of age or younger.	Lifetime suspension

H. Off-the-Field Criminal Misconduct Involving Metro Schedule Club Officials, Coaches and Parents.

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Misdemeanor crimes of violence, including but not limited to assault, battery, harassment, or attempting to or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing acts.	1 year from the time of the incident
(2) Misdemeanor sex offenses, including but not limited to indecent exposure and soliciting a prostitute.	1 year from the time of the incident

(3) Misdemeanor property crimes, including but not limited to larceny, fraud, embezzlement, and fraudulent refusal to return personal property.	1 years from the time of the incident
(4) Felony property crimes, including but not limited to larceny, fraud, embezzlement, fraudulent refusal to return personal property, burglary, robbery, theft, and arson.	5 years from the time of the incident
(5) Driving While Intoxicated (1 st offense)	1 year from the time of the incident
(6) Driving While Intoxicated (2 nd offense)	3 years from the time of the incident
(7) Driving While Intoxicated (3 rd offense)	Lifetime suspension
(8) Felony drug-related crimes, including possession of any illegal drug or substance which include but are not limited to marijuana, methamphetamine, cocaine, ecstasy, heroine, opiates, and any illegally obtained prescription drugs.	1 year from the time of the incident
(9) Felony drug-related crimes, including but not limited to drug trafficking, distributing, drug possession with the intent to distribute, or attempting or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing crimes.	Lifetime suspension
10) Felony sex offenses, including but not limited to criminal sexual penetration, criminal sexual contact, or any other form of sexual abuse.	Lifetime suspension
(11) Felony crimes of violence, including but not limited to aggravated assault, aggravated battery, stalking, homicide or attempting to or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing acts.	Lifetime suspension

I. Off-the-Field Criminal Misconduct Involving Metro Schedule Club Officials and Coaches Against Minors

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Suspension
(1) Misdemeanor crimes of violence against a minor, including but not limited to assault, battery, harassment, or attempting to or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing acts.	Lifetime suspension

(2) Felony crimes against a minor, including but not limited to child abuse, child neglect, child abandonment, or attempting to or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing acts.	Lifetime suspension
(3) Felony crimes of violence against a minor, including but not limited to aggravated assault, aggravated battery, stalking, homicide or attempting to or conspiring to commit any of the foregoing acts.	Lifetime suspension
(4) Misdemeanor sex offenses, including but not limited to indecent exposure to a minor, enticement of a minor, and soliciting a prostitute who is a minor.	Lifetime suspension
(5) Felony sex offenses against a minor, including but not limited to criminal sexual penetration, criminal sexual contact, or any other form of sexual abuse.	Lifetime suspension

J. Club Responsibility for a Club Affiliated Coach's, Player's, or Spectator's Failure to Comply with a DCSL Imposed Suspension

Prohibited Conduct	Minimum Fine/Suspension
(1) Club official's, coach's, player's, or spectator's first failure to comply with a DCSL imposed suspension	\$250.00 and team forfeiture of one (1) game
(2) Club official's, coach's, player's, or spectator's second failure to comply with a DCSL imposed suspension	\$500.00 and team forfeiture of four (4) games
(3) Club official's, coach's, player's, or spectator's third failure to comply with a DCSL imposed suspension	\$1,000.00, team forfeiture of (8) games, and team prohibited from participating in State Cup and all DCSL sponsored pre- and post-season tournaments
(4) DCSL reserves the right to hold a board meeting to address, and sanction if appropriate, the club's failure to correct the club official's, coach's, player's or spectator's failure to comply with a DCSL imposed suspension.	Up to, and including the expulsion of the club or league from DCSL and participating in DCSL sanctioned events, including Metro Schedule and pre- and post-season tournaments.

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